

**ORDINANCE TO ADOPT UPDATED NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE AND UPDATED INTERNATIONAL BUILDING, FUEL GAS, PLUMBING, MECHANICAL, RESIDENTIAL, SWIMMING POOL AND FIRE CODES, WITH EXCEPTIONS AND AMENDMENTS, AS NOTED.**

**CITY OF SALTILLO, MISSISSIPPI**

*WHEREAS, the City of Saltillo is authorized by the statutes of the State of Mississippi, specifically Section 21-19-25 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, to adopt building, plumbing, electrical, gas, sanitary, or other codes dealing with general public health, safety or welfare, or a combination of the same, by reference;*

*WHEREAS, an Ordinance of the City of Saltillo adopting certain updated codes for electrical, building, fuel gas, plumbing, mechanical, residential, swimming pool and fire is appropriate and necessary and in the best interest of the city and its citizenry.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Saltillo, as follows:*

*SECTION 1. That the 2017 National Electrical Code, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein, with the following exceptions, conditions or amendments:*

*(1) Non-metallic cable in commercial use is restricted to wood frame construction.*

*(2) No aluminum wire is allowed inside of building.*

*(3) No general purpose or lighting circuits have conductors small than #12 AWG.*

*(4) All commercial building shall have a main outside disconnect.*

*(5) The Building Inspector reserves the right to require disconnect under certain circumstances.*

*SECTION 2. That the 2018 International Building Code (IBC), with appendices C, E, F, G, H, I, J and K, together as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein, with the following exceptions, conditions or amendments:*

*(1) All buildings and structures and additions thereto shall have a minimum of fifteen (15) feet clearance from all electrical distribution lines and gas lines for the working area. All affected utility departments must be notified of intent to build prior to beginning construction to ensure the required clearance of utilities from the working area.*

*(2) All applications for building permits, including new construction and additions to existing structures, shall be accompanied by a scale drawing, in duplicate, showing the scale and dimensions of the lot; the location, size and height of the structure, and, if residential property, the number of family units the building is designated to accommodate.*

*SECTION 3. That the 2018 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC), as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein, with the following exceptions, conditions or amendments:*

*(1) The installation of gas lines shall be subject to the following requirements:*

*(a) No joints or connections shall be made within walls or other confined and unvented locations.*

*(b) Copper tubing may be used only for connecting appliances from a floor cut-off valve to an appliance cut-off valve or for gas grills and lights located outside of buildings.*

(c) No polyvinyl chloride pipe or tubing, whether called PVC or CPVC or some other form thereof, shall be used to transmit gas in any location.

(d) Single-wall unit pipe shall not be used to vent appliances in any location.

(e) The testing requirements for tightness of newly installed or repaired gas-line systems shall be in accordance with the reasonable requirements prescribed by the building inspector and such system shall not be put in service until the line test has been inspected and approved by either the building inspector or an authorized employee of the City of Saltillo.

**SECTION 4.** That the *2018 International Plumbing Code (IPC)*, as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein, with the following exceptions, conditions or amendments:

(1) All restaurants, coffee shops and like businesses shall have an adequate size grease trap interceptor installed.

**SECTION 5.** That the *2018 International Mechanical Code (IMC)*, with appendix A, together as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein.

**SECTION 6.** That the *2018 International Residential Code (IRC)*, as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein, with the following exceptions, conditions or amendments:

(1) Requirement for fire protection sprinkler systems in one and two family dwellings is hereby deleted.

R313.2 One-and two-family dwellings automatic fire sprinkler system.

R312.2.1 Design and installation.

**SECTION 7.** That the *2018 International Fire Code (IFC)*, as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein, with the following exceptions, conditions or amendments:

110.4 Violation Penalties.

Persons who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect, install, alter, repair or do work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the fire code official, or of a permit or certificate used under provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor "Fire Code Violation", punishable by a fine or not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.

903.2.1.1 Group A-1

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

903.2.1.3 Group A-3

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

903.2.1.4 Group A-4

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

903.2.3 Group E

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

903.2.4 Group F-1

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

(3) The combined area of all Group F-1 fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 20,000 square feet.

903.2.7 Group M

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

(3) The combined area of all Group M-1 fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 20,000 square feet.

903.2.9 Group S-1

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

(3) The combined area of all Group S-1 fire areas on all floors, including any mezzanines, exceeds 20,000 square feet.

903.2.10 Group S-2

(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.

*903.6 Where required in existing buildings and structures.*

*An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided in existing buildings and structures where required in Chapter 11, unless otherwise specifically excluded herein.*

*(a) For any buildings constructed after March 31, 2020, if an addition or additions are made to such building, and if the addition or additions cause the total building to exceed 10,000 square feet of gross floor area, the entire building (including the existing and newly added areas) shall be subject to this sprinkler requirement.*

*501.5 Nuisance alarms from fire alarms systems. False alarms are wasteful of limited City resources, pose a threat to public safety, and should be limited when and where possible. The Mayor and Board find as fact that certain false alarms may constitute a nuisance which should be abated. The responsibility for any fire alarm activation shall be placed on the premises owner or occupant of the premises where the fire alarm system is installed.*

*501.5.1 Definitions. The following words, terms and phrases, when used, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:*

*A "Response" to an alarm activation shall be considered any situation where a member of the Saltillo Fire Department is dispatched to the premises where the fire alarm activation occurred; or where a member of the Saltillo Fire Department learns of an alarm activation by any means whatsoever and responds to that premises for investigation of an alarm transmission.*

*"Emergency or Fire alarm systems" means an assembly of equipment or devices which is designed, arranged, or used for the detection of a hazardous condition in a building, structure or facility, and which emits a sound, or transmits a signal or message*

when activated, to which annunciation to the fire department agency or other emergency service may be summoned to respond.

“False alarm” means the activation of an alarm system through mechanical failure, malfunction, improper installation or maintenance, or through the negligence—whether intentional or unintentional, of the owner, user or alarm systems contractor of the alarm system, which activation results in a response by the fire department or other city personnel.

“Malicious false alarm” means false reporting to the fire department of an emergency condition, or the intentional setting off of an alarm system which will cause another to report the signal. An alarm is not considered a false alarm if the alarm is activated due to malicious causes beyond control of the owner, if reasonable proof is shown.

“Notice” means written notice, given by the issuance of a citation left at the scene of a false alarm by officers of the fire department or other city personnel, or given by U.S. mail addressed to the owner or lessee to be notified at his last known address. Service of such notice shall be effective upon the completion of personal service or upon the placing of the same in the custody of the U.S. Postal Service.

#### *501.5.2 Corrective action.*

After responding to a false fire alarm activation, the officer or member of the fire department or other city personnel shall issue a “False Alarm Activation Report” indicating whether the alarm was a result of a malfunction of the fire alarm system. Any report indicating that the activation was due to a malfunction shall require the owner/operator to return a completed affidavit of service/repair to the fire department within 15 days indicating that a bona fide fire alarm technician of record has

*inspected/repared the system to identify and correct any defect of design, installation or operation of the system, which was the cause of the false alarm activation, to the satisfaction of the fire department official. Failure to return the required affidavit of service/repair or failure to make any necessary repairs shall be considered a violation of this section.*

#### *501.5.3 Penalties.*

*In the event of a false alarm or malicious false alarm, the responsible party shall be summonsed to municipal court and shall upon conviction pay a penalty of \$100.00 for any false alarm received by the fire services division after at least three (3) false alarms have previously been received from the same fire emergency alarm system within any 12 month period.*

#### *501.5.4 Fire Alarm System Components.*

*All Fire Alarm Control Panels (FACP) and the components of which they consist, including any ancillary components that provide support to the system such as any type of initiating device, heat sensor, smoke detector, horn strobe, etc., shall be listed by Underwriters Laboratories (UL), and/or Factory Mutual (FM), or such other certifying laboratory accepted by the Fire Marshal. This subsection is intended to reduce instances of nuisance or false alarms and is applicable to all Fire Alarm System Components, regardless of whether the system has produced a nuisance or false alarm.*

#### *503.6 Security Gates.*

*(a) All electric controlled access gates (residential or commercial) shall be fitted with a gate key switch as approved by the fire code official or other city personnel.*



*903.3.7 Fire department connections.*

*(a) Any building larger than one story, requiring a sprinkler system, shall have the fire department connection placed away from the building, no closer than one and one-half times the height of the building.*

*903.2.1.8 Group B*

*An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout stories containing Group B occupancies and throughout all stories from the Group B occupancy to and including the levels of exit discharge serving that occupancy where one of the following conditions exist:*

*(1) The fire area exceeds 10,000 square feet.*

*(2) No available area calculation is permitted.*

*SECTION 8. That the 2018 International Swimming Pool Code (ISPC), as published by The International Code Council, a copy of which is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk of the City of Saltillo, is hereby ratified and adopted, as if fully copied in words and figures herein.*

*SECTION 9. REPEALER. That any and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances or laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.*

*SECTION 10. SEVERABILITY. That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board of Aldermen hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section,*

*subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional.*

**SECTION 11. CONFLICT.** *That nothing in this ordinance or in the codes hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this ordinance.*

**SECTION 12. PUBLICATION.** *That the Municipal Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to cause this ordinance, by way of the required special notice of passage hereof, to be published in a newspaper in general circulation, duly posted and enrolled in the Ordinance Book of the Municipality, as required by state law.*

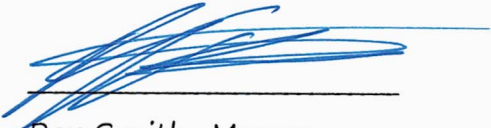
**SECTION 13. APPLICABILITY.** *That this ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after thirty (30) days from the date of passage hereof.*

**SECTION 14. ADOPTION AND CERTIFICATION.**

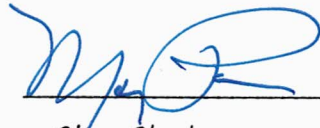
*UPON MOTION of Alderman Craig Sanders, duly seconded by Alderman Donald Cullum, the aforesaid ordinance was put to a vote with Aldermen voting as follows:*

<i>Craig Sanders:</i>	<i>YEA</i>
<i>Donald Cullum:</i>	<i>YEA</i>
<i>Copey Grantham:</i>	<i>YEA</i>
<i>Terry Glidewell:</i>	<i>YEA</i>

ORDAINED AND ADOPTED this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020, at the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Saltillo, Mississippi.



Rex Smith, Mayor  
City of Saltillo, Mississippi



Mary Parker, City Clerk  
City of Saltillo, Mississippi



NOTE: This ordinance was approved and adopted by the Mayor and Board of Alderman at their Regular Meeting on February 4, 2020 and appears in Minute Book 12 at Pages 129.